

1.(Currently Amended) A method for producing a solid filament (1) from a liquid (2) in a vacuum chamber (70), ~~with the steps, comprising:~~

- liquefaction of liquefying a gas in a heat exchanger device (20) for producing the liquid (2), ~~wherein the liquefying of the gas in the heat exchanger device comprises adjusting a p-T operating point of the liquid, and~~
- supplying of the liquid (2) via a supply line (27) and through a nozzle (30) into the ~~a~~ vacuum chamber (70),

characterized in that

~~the liquefaction of the gas in the heat exchanger device (20) comprises the adjusting of a p-T operating point of the liquid (2) at which the liquid (2) wherein the liquid~~ is converted into the solid aggregate state after exiting from the nozzle (30) into the vacuum chamber (70) and forms a collimated and stable jet.

2.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim~~ claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein the adjustment of the p-T operating point of the liquid (2) comprises a tempering of the liquid in the heat exchanger device (20) to an operating point temperature T_0 below which the liquid becomes solid.

3.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim 1 or 2, in which~~ claim 1, wherein the adjustment of the p-T operating point of the liquid (2) comprises a tempering of the liquid in the heat exchanger device (20) to an operating point temperature T_0 that is less than 1 degree above the triple point T_T of the liquid (2).

4.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims, in which claim 1, wherein~~ the tempering of the liquid (2) takes place while it flows through the supply line (27).

5.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim claim 4, in which wherein~~ the tempering of the liquid (2) takes place along the supply line (27) up to the nozzle (30).

6.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims, in which claim 1, wherein~~ a temperature gradient is formed along the supply line (27) in the heat exchanger device (20) that is less than 2 degrees/cm.

7.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims, in which claim 1, wherein~~ the tempering takes place in the heat exchanger device (20) with a liquid cooling medium.

8.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim claim 7, in which wherein~~ the temperature of the cooling medium is adjusted with a thermostat (40).

9.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim 7 or 8, in which claim 7, wherein~~ a temperature or a vapor pressure of the cooling medium is measured in the heat exchanger device (20).

10.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims, in which claim 1, wherein~~ an optical measuring of the liquid (2) exiting into the vacuum chamber (70) takes place.

11.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim 9 or 10, in which claim 1, wherein~~ at least one of ~~the parameters~~ gas pressure, supply volume of the cooling medium and temperature of the cooling medium in the heat exchanger device (20) is adjusted as a function of the result of ~~the a~~ temperature measurement, ~~the a~~ vapor pressure measurement or ~~the an~~ optical measurement.

12.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim claim 11, in which wherein~~ a control circuit is formed for adjusting the at least one parameter.

13.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims, in which claim 1, wherein~~ the liquid (2) in the nozzle (30) is subjected to a jet formation.

14.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims, in which claim 1, wherein~~ the supplied gas is a noble gas.

15.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~Claim claim 14, in which wherein~~ the supplied gas is xenon.

16.(Currently Amended) The method according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims, in which claim 1, wherein~~ the p-T operating point of the liquid (2) is selected in such a manner that the liquid (2) becomes solid after exiting from the nozzle (30) within a freezing length (a) that is less than 10 mm.

17.(Currently Amended) A nozzle arrangement (10) especially for producing solid filaments (1) in a vacuum, ~~that comprises comprising:~~

- a heat exchanger device (20) for producing a liquid (2) from a gas, and
- ~~- a supply line (27) with a nozzle (30) through which the liquid (2) can exit into the vacuum,~~

~~characterized in that~~

~~wherein~~ the heat exchanger device (20) is adapted for adjusting a p-T operating point of the liquid (2) such that the liquid (2) can be converted after exiting from the nozzle (30) into ~~the~~ a vacuum into ~~the~~ a solid aggregate state and a collimated and stable jet form, ~~and~~

- ~~- a supply line with a nozzle through which the liquid can exit into the vacuum.~~

18.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~Claim~~ claim 17, in ~~which~~ wherein the heat exchanger device (20) extends along the supply line (27).

19.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~Claim~~ claim 18, in ~~which~~ wherein the heat exchanger device (20) extends along the supply line (27) up to the nozzle (30).

20.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims 17 to 19, in which claim 17, wherein~~ the heat exchanger device (20) extends over a length of at least 40 cm along the supply line.

21.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims 17 to 20, in which claim 17, wherein~~ the supply line (27) runs helically through the heat exchanger device (20).

22.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims 17 to 21, in which claims 17, wherein~~ the supply line (27) has a wall thickness in a range of 0.1 mm to 0.5 mm.

23.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims 17 to 22, in which claim 17, wherein~~ the heat exchanger device (20) is a counterflow cooler.

24.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims 17 to 23, in which claim 17, wherein~~ the heat exchanger device (20) contains a liquid cooling medium.

25.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims 17 to 24, in which claim 17, wherein~~ the heat exchanger device (20) comprises a tubular cooling jacket (21) on whose end (22) ~~and~~ the nozzle (30) is arranged at an end of the cooling jacket.

26.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~Claim-claim~~ 25, in
~~which-wherein~~ the nozzle ~~(30)~~ is demountably arranged on the cooling jacket
~~(21)~~.

27.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~Claim 25 or 26~~, in
~~which-claim 25, wherein~~ the nozzle ~~(30)~~ is adjustably arranged on the cooling
jacket ~~(21)~~ in such a manner that the orientation of a dispensing direction of the
nozzle ~~(30)~~ can be changed relative to a longitudinal extension of the cooling
jacket ~~(21)~~.

28.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims~~
~~17 to 27, in which-claim 17, wherein~~ a screening device ~~(35)~~ is provided that
serves for thermal insulation of the nozzle ~~(30)~~.

29.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims~~
~~25 to 28, in which-claim 25, wherein~~ a fastening device ~~(50)~~ is provided for
fastening the cooling jacket ~~(21)~~ to a vacuum flange.

30.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims~~
~~25 to 29, in which-claim 25, wherein~~ the heat exchanger device ~~(20)~~ is
connected to a thermostat ~~(40)~~ with which the cooling medium in the heat
exchanger device ~~(20)~~ can be tempered.

31.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~Claim~~ claim 30, in
~~which~~wherein the thermostat (40) is arranged in such a manner that it is
decoupled from oscillations relative to the heat exchanger device (20).

32. Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~Claim 30 or 31~~, in
~~which~~claim 30, wherein the heat exchanger device (20) is connected via
thermally insulated lines (24, 25) to the thermostat.

33.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims~~
~~17 to 32, in which~~claim 17, wherein a temperature sensor or vapor-pressure
sensor is arranged in the heat exchanger device (20).

34.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims~~
~~17 to 33, in which~~claim 17, wherein the supply line (27) opens at the nozzle (30)
with a given convex inside contour (32) into an exit opening.

35.(Currently Amended) The nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of Claims~~
~~17 to 34, in which~~claim 17, wherein the nozzle (30) is detachably connected to
the supply line (27), a seal being arranged between the nozzle (30) and the
supply line (27) which seal consists of an alloy of copper and beryllium.

36.(Currently Amended) An apparatus with a vacuum chamber (70) and a nozzle
arrangement (10) according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~ claim 17 for
producing a solid filament from a liquid in the vacuum chamber (70).

37.(Currently Amended) ~~The use A method of a method or of using~~ a nozzle arrangement according to ~~at least one of the preceding claims~~claim 17 for producing a frozen filament with a length of at least 10 cm and a diameter in a range of 10 μm to 100.